

Wilmington Selectboard Meeting Minutes
July 14, 2023

Present: Tom Fitzgerald, John Gannon, Vince Rice, Sarah Fisher, Tony Tribuno

Others Present: Scott Tucker, Christine Richter

Meeting called to order at 8:15 a.m.

1. Visitors, Public Comments, Possible Changes to the Agenda
 - Other business; LRI Loan and authorized agent, set a special meeting July 31 for Bi-Town Housing, and flooding overview.
2. Set the FY-2024 Tax Rate
 - A discussion about the proposed municipal tax rate of 0.6097 vs the homestead education rate of 1.9659, with the municipal rate accounting for 24% of a taxpayer's total tax bill; Selectboard encouraged issuing a press release. Tribuno moved to set the town tax rate at 0.6097 as proposed, second by Fisher; all in favor.
3. Other Business
 - LRI Loan and authorized agent: the requested loan is from the Vermont State Revolving Fund issued by the Vermont Bond Bank in the amount of \$14,355 for Lead Service Lines Inventory Plan and work performed by the Water Department. Gannon moved to approve the Vermont Bond Bank Loan in the amount of \$14,355.00, appointing the town manager as its agent for this loan; second by Tribuno; all in favor.
 - Bi-Town Housing Presentation; the Selectboard agrees by general consent to meet at OSEC on July 31st at 6:00 p.m. to hear a presentation of the Bi-Town Housing Committee. Others invited are the Dover Selectboard, both Planning Commissions, open to the public.
 - Flooding; an overview of the flooding in town was given with the acknowledgement that the town fared pretty well compared to other parts of the state; areas noted with damage were basements, one house on Route 100, West Street public parking lot, and an access road for the Water Dept. The town manager issued a press release earlier in the week. Pres. Biden made an emergency declaration, now waiting for FEMA to make a major disaster declaration. The threshold for a declaration state-wide is \$1.1M.

Meeting adjourned at 9:03 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Scott A. Tucker, Town Manager

Approved by the Wilmington Selectboard:

Thomas Fitzgerald, Chair

John Gannon, Vice Chair

Vince Rice, Clerk

Sarah Fisher

Tony Tribuno